

# UTTC General Education

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Syllabus

## Introduction to Humanities 101, Section B

### Course Information

Credit Hour: 3

Semester/Year: Fall 2016

Class Location Education Bldg. RM B01

Time: TR 10-11:15 AM, First Day: 8/23/2016

### Instructor Information

Instructor: Brian Palecek

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### Required Textbooks:

Bishop, Philip E. Adventures in the Human Spirit. Pearson, Boston, MA. Current edition

### Supplemental Materials: handouts

**Course Description:** In this course, learners examine how human beings express themselves through the arts, music, literature and other humanities disciplines such as history, philosophy, and comparative religion studies, and archaeology. The course employs a world and historical view of humanities, emphasizing the diversity and commonality of human culture.

**Prerequisite(s): none**

Students will demonstrate the following knowledge and skills:	Assessment
1. Knowledge of human cultural creativity in the humanities disciplines	Discussion, hands-on projects, writing, interpretive activities, and objective tests
2. Use multiple forms of information technology and research (internet, video, film, library, personal interviews to research areas of the humanities	Writing projects, classroom discussion and activities
3. Relate themes of Native American cultural expression and historical experience to the global cultural experience	Objective tests, classroom discussion and writing projects

### Classwork and Activities:

You are to attend all class sessions. You are responsible for all materials and information relating to the class, including:

-handouts and assignments

- writing activities, in class and out
- lectures
- discussions and small group activities
- readings
- videos and movies
- formal papers
- tests and quizzes
- field trips
- creative projects, including writing and drawing
- media and library resource assignments

**Units included in the Course:**

- Unit I: Introduction to the Humanities
- Unit II: The Ancient World
- Unit III: Native American Humanities Experience
- Unit IV: The Contemporary World
- Finals week: December

**Assessment of Student Learning:**

During the course and at the end, you and the instructor will assess the evidence of your learning and achievement of each of the four learning objective above.

**Formal Essays and Papers:**

Your essays will be due on the assigned date. Papers must be typed or computer generated (12 point font), double-spaces, including your name, and a title page. Conference Attendance

**Experiencing the Tribal Leader Summit:**

To support the UTTC motto, "Leadership Begins Here", all students are required to participate in the United Tribes Technical College Tribal Leader Summit & Trade Show September 6 – 8, 2016 at the Bismarck Event Center. Students are expected to be at the Summit from 1 PM – 3 PM on Tuesday and 9 AM – 3 PM on Wednesday and Thursday. Bussing to and from the campus will be provided. Sign in sheets will be available at the registration tables for all students to sign upon arrival and again at departure. Bussing to and from the campus will be provided.

For each session attended, the student is expected to write 3-4 sentences that connect the presentation to the "Tribal leadership" theme. Include the name of the presenter, a brief description of the content presented, presenter style, and a session-related reflection connecting the theme to something you learned. Visiting the exhibit hall can be included as a session. The reflection paper is considered an assignment for each one of the students' courses and is recorded as either points or a letter grade. One reflection paper can be submitted for multiple courses.

### **Email communications and LMS.**

Each UTTC student has a UTTC email address. We will use email as a way of communicating and doing certain humanities assignments. You are expected to check your UTTC email regularly and to respond to any messages the instructor may send.

Course activities and assignments will be available on the campus Learner Management System. Your grades for coursework is also recorded.

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### **Exams, Midterm, and Final:**

If you are present in class on the day of an assigned text or exam, you must take the test. If you know you will miss a test, contact the instructor before the test. You will have one week to make up a test. It must be completed before class the following week, since the graded tests will be returned at that time.

### **Attendance:**

UTTC policy requires that students be present for all classes. The instructor reports all absences to the campus computer system after each class session. For the purposes of reporting there are no “excuse absences,” an absence is an absence. Excessive absences may result in the student being terminated from the course. The work of the course and record of attendance begins on the first day of class: Tuesday, August 23, 2016. Students who enroll late are responsible for all materials and activities from the beginning of the course and will be counted absent for those days missed before enrollment.

### **Class Participation/Classroom activity:**

Each class session will include a class group activity for which the student is responsible and for which credit is earned. Successful participation in class discussion and group activities is an important part of the learning in the class. You will receive 7.5 points for your successful participation in each daily class activity; this adds up to 15 points for a week. These points will be listed as SCA on the course website. If there is any indication that the student is not participating successfully in the classroom activity (visiting inappropriately, doing other work, using cell phone, texting, leaving the classroom, tardiness, sleeping, doing other work) full credit for the day's activity will not be given.

Note that cell phone use is an obstacle to successful participation in a class activity (discussion, watching a film, listening to a presentation).

**Grading:**

Grades will be determined by total points in the following areas:

- tests and quizzes
- written papers
- readings and discussion
- successful participation in classroom activity
- projects and activities

**Students with Disabilities:**

United Tribes Technical College recognizes its responsibility for making reasonable accommodations to ensure there is no discrimination on the basis of a disability. The Office of Disabilities Services coordinates reasonable support services, accommodations, and appropriate referrals aimed at removing barriers and providing an equitable learning environment. If you have a disability, please contact the Disabilities Services office located in the Education Building Room 123B (first floor). The DSS department can also be reached at 701.255.3285 ext. 1516.

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My signature below indicates that I have read and understood this syllabus and have been given a copy of my own to keep.

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Student's Printed Name

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Student Signature

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Date